

# Nehemiah 9



Having assembled in the eight chapter for the reading of the law and the celebration of the Feast of Booths, now, two days later, the people again assemble. The Levites lead the audience in confessing their sins before God. The majority of this chapter is a prayer to God.

## Some Things To Notice:

1. This is the longest \_\_\_\_\_ in the O.T.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ is not named or speaks in this chapter
3. The last chapter ended with f \_\_\_\_\_. This chapter begins with f \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The prayer in this chapter begins with creation and covers the major events of the O.T. It brings things up to the present tense (Now: 32, 38)
5. Unashamed e \_\_\_\_\_ (4- "they cried with a loud voice")

Two running themes flow through this prayer:

- (a) what God has \_\_\_\_\_: His goodness
- (b) How the people have \_\_\_\_\_: their rebellion

6. The breakdown of the prayer:
  - the G \_\_\_\_\_ of God (1-6)
  - the G \_\_\_\_\_ of God (7-30)
  - the G \_\_\_\_\_ of God (31-37)

## C. Specific Sins are Confessed

1. Arrogant (16)
2. Would not listen (17)
2. Did not remember (17)
3. Appointed different leaders (17)
4. Established idols (18)
5. Blasphemous (18)

## D. Specific Need Requested (37)

## E. Made a formal commitment to change (38)

- this becomes the first part of the next chapter

## A. The Activity of God

God made (6)  
God gave life (6)  
God chose Abram (7)  
God gave him a new name (7)  
God made a covenant with him (8)  
God heard their cry (9)  
God preformed signs (9)  
God divided the sea (11)  
God led them (12)  
God took care of them (15)  
God gave them children (23)  
God subdued the enemy (24)  
God delivered them (27)  
God rescued them many times (28)

## B. The Characteristics of God

1. God was p \_\_\_\_\_ with them (21, 28, 30)
2. God c \_\_\_\_\_ to bless the people with goodness when they acted evil (18)
3. God's \_\_\_\_\_ (28)

**Lessons Learned:**

1. The steps of a true revival are: \_\_\_\_\_ God's word; \_\_\_\_\_ our sins; making a \_\_\_\_\_ to do better.
2. Their history with God has been one of \_\_\_\_\_ and help. God has been \_\_\_\_\_ to them.
3. Before they asked, they \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_ a commitment and a promise, words fall flat